GOOD FRIDAY - EPHESIANS 2:11-18: THE TRINITY IN KING JESUS’ SUFFERING

FROM THE FATHER’S PERSPECTIVE – LEADING THE SON
BELIEVE GOD IS TRIUNE: One Essence/Three Persons – IS IN/IS NOT (THEY R 1)
BEAUTY OF TRINITY – greatest demonstration of love mankind – GOD IS LOVE
Rightly focus Jesus – Was His suffering, scourging, crucifixion
In the Trinity, there was a unity of purpose during the suffering of Jesus. ALL INVOLVED
- Tonight BROADEN PERSPECTIVE – JESUS - FATHER, SPIRIT
- GOOD FRIDAY (REVIEW) – THE WHOLE TRINITY – FROM ETERNITY PAST

The whole Trinity was present during Christ’s suffering and agony.

A DESPERATE AND HORRIBLE SITUATION FOR HUMANITY
- LOST WORLD – W/O commonwealth Israel, strangers to covenants of promise
  - Having NO HOPE AND WITHOUT GOD IN THIS WORLD – PAGAN, POLY

TERRIBLE CONDITION TO BE IN W/O GOD IN WORLD – HOW??

THE HEART OF THE FATHER – MOVED BY LOVE
- FATHER’S HANDS - LOVING HANDS OF THE FATHER LEADING THE SON
- PLANS/GIVES/SEND/GUIDES – THE SAME HANDS DELIVERED – father/son
crossing intersection
Romans 8:32 He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all.
It was the hands of the Father that guided Jesus to this moment. FATHER NEVER LEFT
John 17:1 Father the hour has come.
- THE MOMENT – Father if there’s any way, F forgive them, F into your
Forsaken in the sense of not being spared the punishment for our sins.

FROM THE SPIRIT’S PERSPECTIVE – A COMPANION TO THE SON
THE SPIRIT WAS ALWAYS WITH JESUS
- When Jesus was speaking of the paraclete for us –comes alongside, like a friend.
  He was speaking from experience.
There was nothing that Jesus did without the Spirit, His constant companion.
- AT HIS BIRTH: The Spirit was present as the Son was SENT/PLACED
Luke 1:35 The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you;
therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.
- AT HIS BAPTISM: The Spirit was Present ID and INAUGURATION
Matthew 3:16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the
heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest
on him.
- BEING LED TO TEMPTATION: The Spirit Led/Sustained – TRUE ADAM
Matthew 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.
- EMPOWERED TO WORK MIRACLES – The Spirit EMPOWERED
Acts 10:38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

- **IN THE RESURRECTION** – Spirit raised JESUS – RAISES YOU

Romans 8:11 If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

- **AT THE CRUCIFIXION** – WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? Helping jesus fulfill the will of the Father

Hebrews 9:14 How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

FROM THE SON’S PERSPECTIVE - WE HAVE A CRUCIFIED KING – THIS IS WHY...

- Worship Him – obey – live by faith – absolute dependence – loving adoration

**KING JESUS BROUGHT YOU NEAR TO GOD BY HIS BLOOD**

You were OUTSIDE Israel/Covenants – HIS BLOOD – SACRIFICED HIS LIFE

- HE BLED FOR YOU – GOD/MAN sacrifice

**MASTERCARD COMMERCIALS – PRICELESS AND POWERFUL**

What mended broken, healed the rift, put away the enmity? BLOOD OF JESUS

**KING JESUS IS YOUR PEACE**

The very thing that was keeping you from GOD – YOUR SIN/Failure KEEP GOD’S LAW

- Crucified for your forgiveness – fulfilled the requirements of law for you

Colossians 2:13 And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

- Took out of the way – CAUSED HOSTILITY BETWEEN YOU AND GOD
  - AND NOW YOU ARE AT PEACE

**KING JESUS HAS RECONCILED YOU TO GOD IN HIS BODY THROUGH THE CROSS**

- It’s His body that is the new intermediary – WHEN WE TAKE COMMUNION
  - Remember – WE COME TO GOD THROUGH THE BODY OF CHRIST
  - New Veil that grants access to God.

Hebrews 10:20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God

**KING JESUS PREACHED PEACE**

- He invites you...HIS ARMS STRETCHED OUT WIDE INVITING YOU TO COME

THE BEAUTY OF THE TRINITY

The most profound demonstration of love

The trinity is love

God is love